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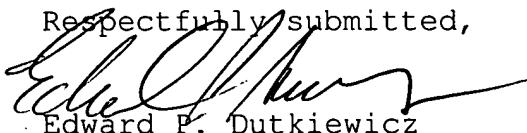
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- ☒ Patent Application (specification and claim(s))
- ☒ Official drawing(s)
- ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☒ Applicant claims Small Entity Status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Request for Nonpublication of Application
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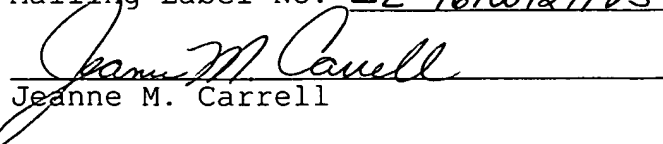
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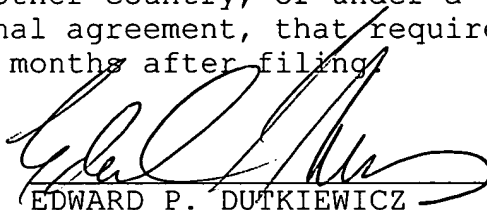
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37 C.F.R. § 1.213 (a)

1. This request is being submitted with this application on filing.
2. **It is requested that this application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).**
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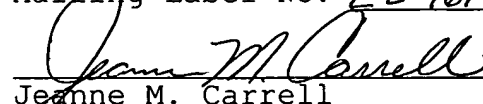
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